

# **CALFED Bay-Delta Program Workshop #3**

## **Workshop Summary--Short Version**

On Thursday, October 12, 1995 the CALFED Bay-Delta Program conducted the third workshop of the Phase 1 planning effort. The focus of the workshop was discussion of action categories that could form the basis of preliminary solution alternatives. The workshop was attended by approximately 90 participants representing a broad cross-section of interests.

Lester Snow, Program Executive Director, began the day with a brief overview of the program background and purpose, participating agencies, and schedule. Dick Daniel, Program Assistant Director, reviewed the results of previous workshops (problem definition and objectives development). He then introduced the purpose and format for the remainder of the workshop.

## **Workshop Format**

Participants were assigned randomly to each of four breakout groups for small group discussion of the action categories. Each breakout group was assigned two groupings of action categories for discussion as follows:

- **Red Group**
  - Action Categories to Reduce Entrainment Effects of Diversions
  - Action Categories Related to Demand Management
- **Green Group**
  - Action Categories to Reduce Impacts of Diversions of Important In-Stream Flows
  - Action Categories for Supply Enhancement
- **Yellow Group**
  - Action Categories Related to Water Supply Predictability
  - Action Categories for Improving System Reliability
- **Orange Group**
  - Action Categories for Habitat Restoration In Delta
  - Action Categories for Water Quality Management

Each group was asked to review the action categories and discuss which program objectives would be met by the action category and which objectives would be constrained or interfered with by the action category. The group was also asked to identify where action categories could be linked together to offset negative impacts or increase positive impacts.

The results of the group discussions were recorded as follows: (1) positive and negative impacts and possible linkages were recorded on matrices of action categories and objectives as "+," "-", and "L" (links) [note: in some cases an O was used to indicate neither positive nor negative impacts, but this symbol was not used consistently]; (2) comments and questions were recorded on flipcharts by program staff; and (3) a team member took notes of all discussion points. The matrices drafted during these breakout group discussions are provided below.

At the conclusion of the breakout sessions, each facilitator reported major conclusions to the full assembly of participants. Following those presentations and brief discussion, Lester Snow and Dick Daniel led a discussion about assembling or grouping action categories into bundles that would be effective building blocks for alternatives. The bundling of action categories is planned as one of the topics for discussion at Workshop #4 on December 4.

A detailed 41-page summary of Workshop #3 is available on request. Please call the CALFED Bay-Delta Program office at (916) 657-2666 to request a copy.